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In re Application of : April 6, 2000  
 Bass, et al. :  
 Serial No.: IPLaw 972/B656  
 : IBM Corporation  
 Filed: (herewith) : PO Box 12195  
 : RTP, NC 27709  
 Title: LONGEST PREFIX MATCH (LPM) :  
 ALGORITHM IMPLEMENTATION FOR A : Group Art Unit:  
 NETWORK PROCESSOR

jc600 U.S. PRO  
09/544992  
04/06/00


INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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